

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF OCTOBER 4, 1939

The Board of Public Works met in the office of the Board, in the Union Trust Building, Baltimore, on Wednesday, October 4, 1939.

Present:

Herbert R. O'Connor, Governor
J. Millard Tawes, Comptroller
Hooper S. Miles, Treasurer

Mr. Walter N. Kirkman, Director of the Department of Budget and Procurement, was present at the meeting.

The officers of the Pulaski Monument Committee, headed by Mr. Frederick M. Supplee, Chairman, accompanied by several members of the Executive Committee, appeared before the Board and explained their plans for the erection, in Baltimore City, of the contemplated Memorial to Brigadier General Casimer Pulaski. A photograph of the proposed monument was shown to the members of the Board and it was explained that the Committee was ready to go ahead with the awarding of the contracts at a cost of \$28,000.00, for the erection of the Monument in Patterson Park, Baltimore. The Committee was advised that the matter would be given careful consideration by the Board.

After the Committee left it was decided that a checking of the figures submitted by the Committee should be done, and that the Board should authorize some one to co-operate with the Committee in carrying out the plans and the doing of the work, so that the State's interest in the memorial, as represented by the appropriation of \$15,000.00 contained in the General Construction Loan of 1931, would be taken care of. It was agreed that Mr. Laurence Hall Fowler, Architect, would be a very suitable person to review the plans for the memorial and advise the Board regarding them. The Governor stated he would get in touch with Mr. Fowler.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter received from Mr. Stephen M. Jones, President of the Board of Trustees of St. Mary's Female Seminary, advising that it was the decision of the Board of Trustees to recommend the selection of Mr. F.L.W. Moehle as Architect, for the new gymnasium building for St. Mary's Female Seminary.

Mrs. Hoke and Mrs. Brown, members of the Alumnae of St. Mary's Female Seminary, appeared before the Board in the interest of the recommendation made by the Alumnae Association that Mr. Bernard Evander be employed as Architect for the work.

After discussing the matter the Board was of the opinion that it would not be to the best interest of the State, and to the Seminary, if there were to be any differences between the Board of Trustees and the Alumnae Association, as to the selection of an Architect, and because it was felt that it would be desirable that these two organizations be in accord, as to the selection of an Architect, if this is possible, and because it had been represented to the Board of Public Works at the meeting on September 15, by two members of the Board of Trustees, that Mr. Moehle's name would not be submitted to the Board for approval, the Secretary was instructed to write the Board of Trustees and tell them that because of the differences apparently existing between the Board of Trustees and the Alumnae Association the Board of Public Works would defer any action toward approving an Architect until such time as the Board of Trustees and the Alumnae Association were able to join in a recommendation as to the Architect to be selected, and that in the event it was not possible, within a reasonable time, for the two agencies to adjust matters between them, the Board of Public Works would feel it incumbent upon them to use its best judgment and select an architect for the work.

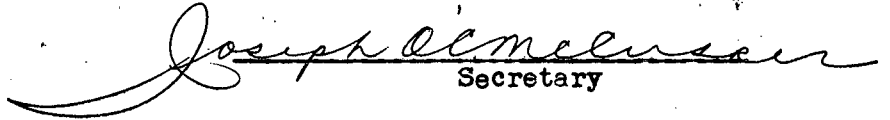
The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter addressed to it by the Attorney General under date of October 4, 1939, advising the Board with reference to certain matters in connection with the execution of a deed submitted by the State Roads Commission to the Board, involving the transfer of land in Harford County, to the Bata Shoe Company, Inc.

After consideration of the Attorney General's letter the Secretary was instructed to write the State Roads Commission, furnishing the Commission with a copy of the Attorney General's letter of October 4, 1939, and request the Commission to revise the deed to the extent that there would be nothing in it, upon execution by the members of the Board of Public Works, to commit the Board to the agreements between the State Roads Commission and the Bata Shoe Company, calling for certain work to be done by the Commission, growing out of the two agreements.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter from Morgan College, under date of October 3, 1939, requesting that the Board act as co-sponsor for a work project for students at the College, whereby the College would be able to obtain from the National Youth Administration Section of the Federal Security Agency, funds which are available for students who would otherwise be unable to receive a college education without such aid.

It was agreed that the Board of Public Works should act as co-sponsor in this work, and the Secretary was instructed to advise Morgan College accordingly.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.


Secretary

~~The Board approved payment to the Charles Carroll of Carrollton Commis-~~
~~sion of the sum of \$500.00 to cover the expenses of the celebration held in Car-~~
~~rollton, September 18, 1937.~~

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